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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
MARK ISOM RICHARDS

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For: ACETABULAR COMPONENT

Examiner: Pedro Philogene

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED OCTOBER 17, 2005

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This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action dated October 17, 2005, for which the three-month date for response is January 17, 2006.

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Reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks is respectfully requested. /

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